HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

A HOUSE RESOLUTION honoring the Peace Learning Center.

Whereas, Concerned about neighborhood and family violence in Indianapolis, believing in the power of cooperation and the peaceful resolution of conflicts, Tim Nation and Charlie Wiles started the Peace Learning Center;

Whereas, Since founding the Peace Learning Center in 1997, the center has reached more than 165,000 people locally and nationally;

Whereas, This program, which teaches the peaceful resolution of all conflicts, the strength of diversity in a community, the potential of youth, and the responsibility to manage the environment and community resources, has proven so effective that eight United States cities and five countries have replicated and implemented it;

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Whereas, By working directly with schools, community nonprofits, businesses, juvenile correctional facilities, and faith groups, the Peace Learning Center has evolved into a community education institution that works to teach safe and simple ways to manage anger, solve problems, and develop appreciation for differing perspectives; and

Whereas, The Peace Learning Center has received awards from the Indiana Department of Education, the World Council of Churches, the City of Indianapolis, the Niagara Foundation, IUPUI, the Indiana Youth Institute, and the Indianapolis Education Association honoring the work the center does to spread the message that everyone can be a peacemaker: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives recognizes the valuable contributions made by the Peace Learning Center and wishes it continued success.

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SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of Representatives transmit copies of this resolution to the Peace Learning Center.

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